

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :  
Wayne Morgan JOHN et al. :  
Serial No. Not yet assigned : Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned  
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For: WEATHER RESISTANT ANTI-SLIP PANELS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 4, 9 and 11 to 17 as follows:

*A1* *Sub 1* *A2* ~~4. (Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1 comprising producing a pattern of drillable areas in the cut resistant anti-slip coating and subsequently drilling the substrate.~~

*Sub 2* ~~9. (Amended) A panel as claimed in claim 6 and having a pattern of drillable areas in the cut-resistant coating; whereby, in use, the substrate can be drilled at selected areas to obtain a desired placement of fixing holes.~~

*Sub 3* ~~11. (Amended) A panel as claimed in claim 6, wherein the pattern comprises anti-slip cuttable lines or drillable areas on the or each working surface thereof~~

*Sub 4* ~~12. (Amended) A panel as claimed in claim 6, wherein the anti-slip coating comprises anti-slip particles in an adherent coating.~~

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